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Customer No.: 21559  
Title: ALPHA-EMITTING HYDROXYAPATITE PARTICLES

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In reply to the Restriction Requirement issued in connection with the above-captioned case on August 18, 2010, Applicants elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-11 and 15-17. The election is made with traverse.

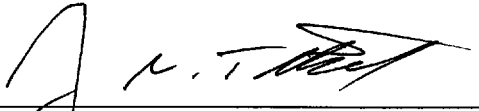
Applicants note that, in the concurrently filed Preliminary Amendment, the claims have been amended to be directed to hydroxyapatite incorporating an alpha-emitting radionuclide *selected from the group of  $^{211}\text{At}$ ,  $^{212}\text{Bi}$ ,  $^{223}\text{Ra}$ ,  $^{224}\text{Ra}$ ,  $^{225}\text{Ac}$ , and  $^{227}\text{Th}$  or an in vivo generator for an alpha-emitting radionuclide selected from the group of the beta-emitting radionuclides  $^{212}\text{Pb}$ ,  $^{211}\text{Pb}$ ,  $^{213}\text{Bi}$ , and  $^{225}\text{Ra}$* . Applicants submit that the art that the Office relies on as describing the special technical feature linking the present claims (Sgouros et al.; US 2003/0175206) does not describe hydroxyapatite having the features of claim 1 as amended. In view of the claim amendments made in the concurrently filed Preliminary Amendment, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the present Restriction Requirement.

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Respectfully submitted,

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